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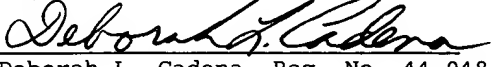
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
Aebersold and Goodlett)
Serial No.: 09/748,793)
Filed: December 26, 2000)
For: METHODS FOR RAPID AND)
QUANTITATIVE PROTEOME)
ANALYSIS)

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed December 20, 2001, entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

1. (Amended) A method for identifying a polypeptide, comprising:

(a) determining two or more characteristics associated with said polypeptide, or a peptide fragment thereof, one of said characteristics being mass of a peptide fragment of said polypeptide determined by mass spectrometry;

(b) comparing said characteristics associated with said polypeptide to an annotated polypeptide index; and